DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Stakeholder Survey 2009
Summary Report
Payne Elementary School

Statement from Michelle Rhee, Chancellor

In May 2009 we surveyed parents, school staff, and students (grades 6 through 12), asking their opinions on their schools and the district. I am pleased to share with you this summary of the feedback we received. It is essential that we hear from these key stakeholders in order to ensure that our reform efforts are serving our students as well as possible.

We hope this report will serve as a tool for school principals and staff to engage their school community and better understand what is working well and what needs improvement. I look forward to working with our school leadership on ways in which we can respond to the information presented in this report and better focus our efforts to improve our schools.

For details on how this information was collected and for full survey results please visit www.dcps.dc.gov.

About this report

The survey results are organized by stakeholder: student responses are shown first, followed by staff and parent responses. Survey questions addressed the following four categories from the DCPS Effective Schools Framework:

Teaching and Learning: Does the school emphasize instruction and hold students to high expectations for achievement?
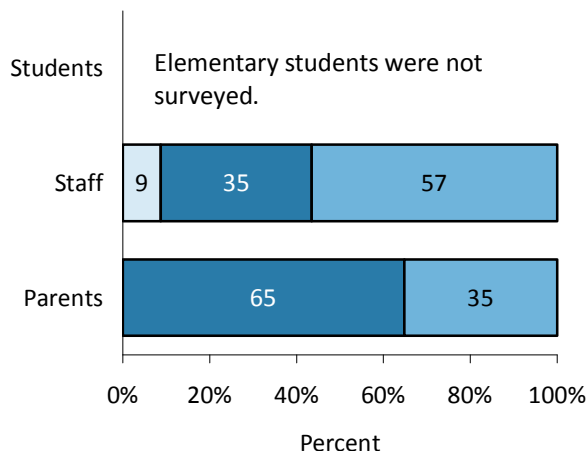**Resources:** Does the school have adequate resources for learning, and is it kept in good condition?
Family and Community Engagement: Does the school invest in families and community members to support students?
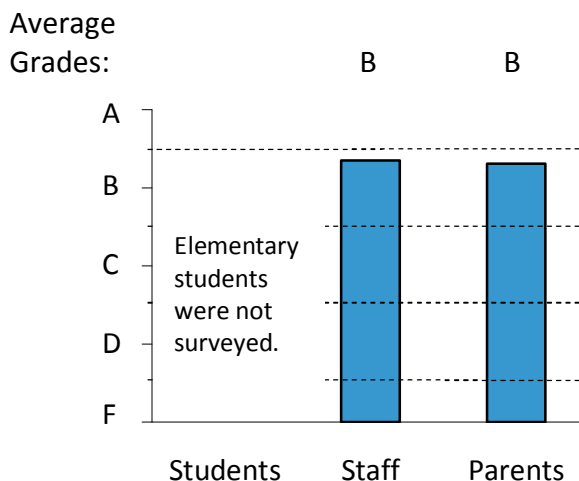**Safe and Effective Learning Environment:** Do the school's policies, procedures, and practices support a safe environment that fosters mutual respect, high expectations, and a focus on teaching and learning?

Overall Satisfaction

My school is on the right track for student achievement.

Average grade people gave to the school.

The staff at my school set high standards for students.

My classes really make me think.

I think doing well in school is important for my future.

My school is clean and well maintained.

My classrooms have the instructional materials we need.

I have access to the Internet at school.

Elementary students were not surveyed.

This school is a welcoming place for my family.

The staff at my school call home when a student misses class.

I feel safe at my school.

My school is orderly and in control.
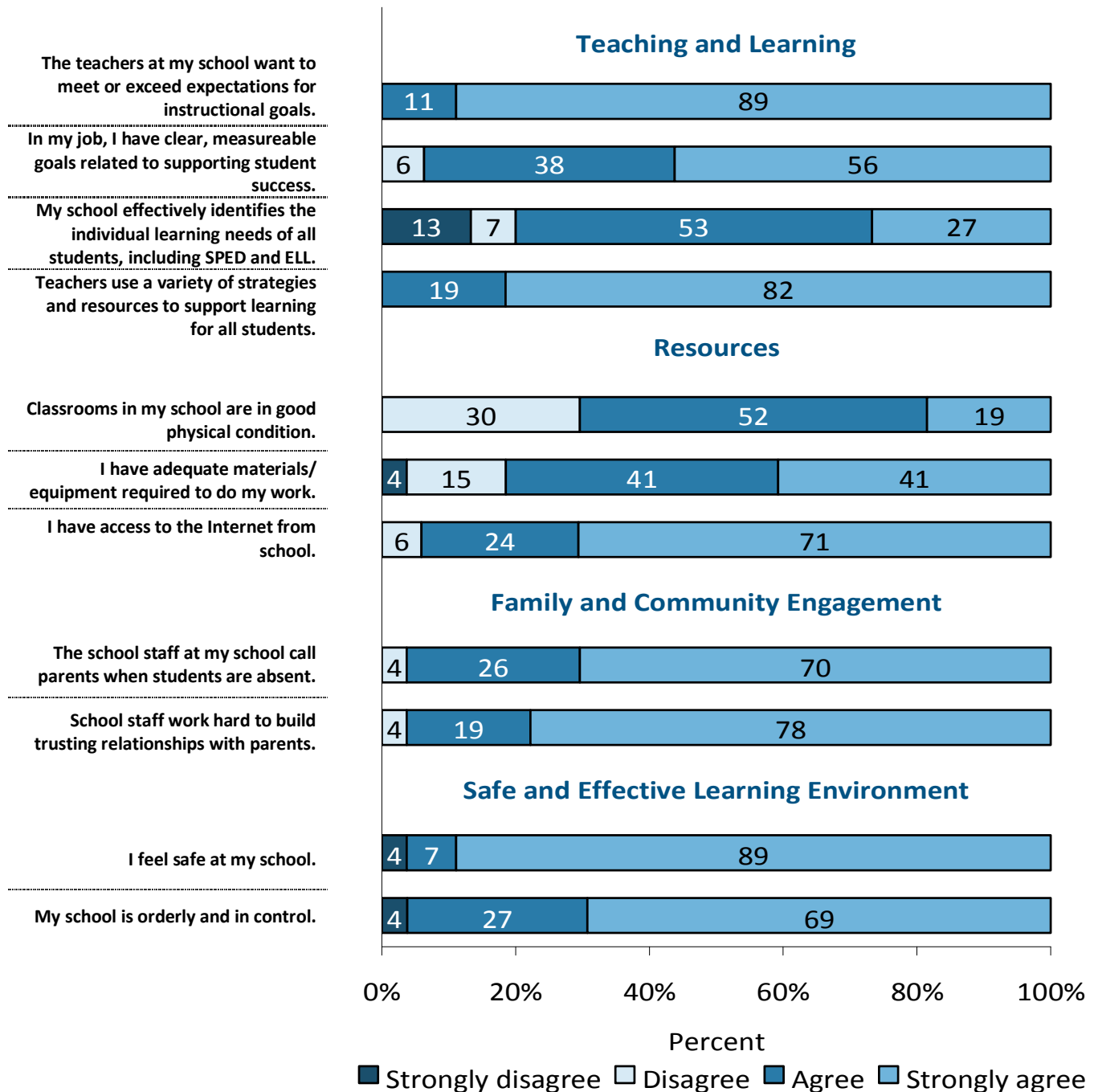
I feel safe outside around the school.

NOTES: The student question on *access to the Internet* offered the options never/rarely/sometimes/usually. The student item on *safety outside the school* offered the options not safe/somewhat safe/mostly safe/very safe.
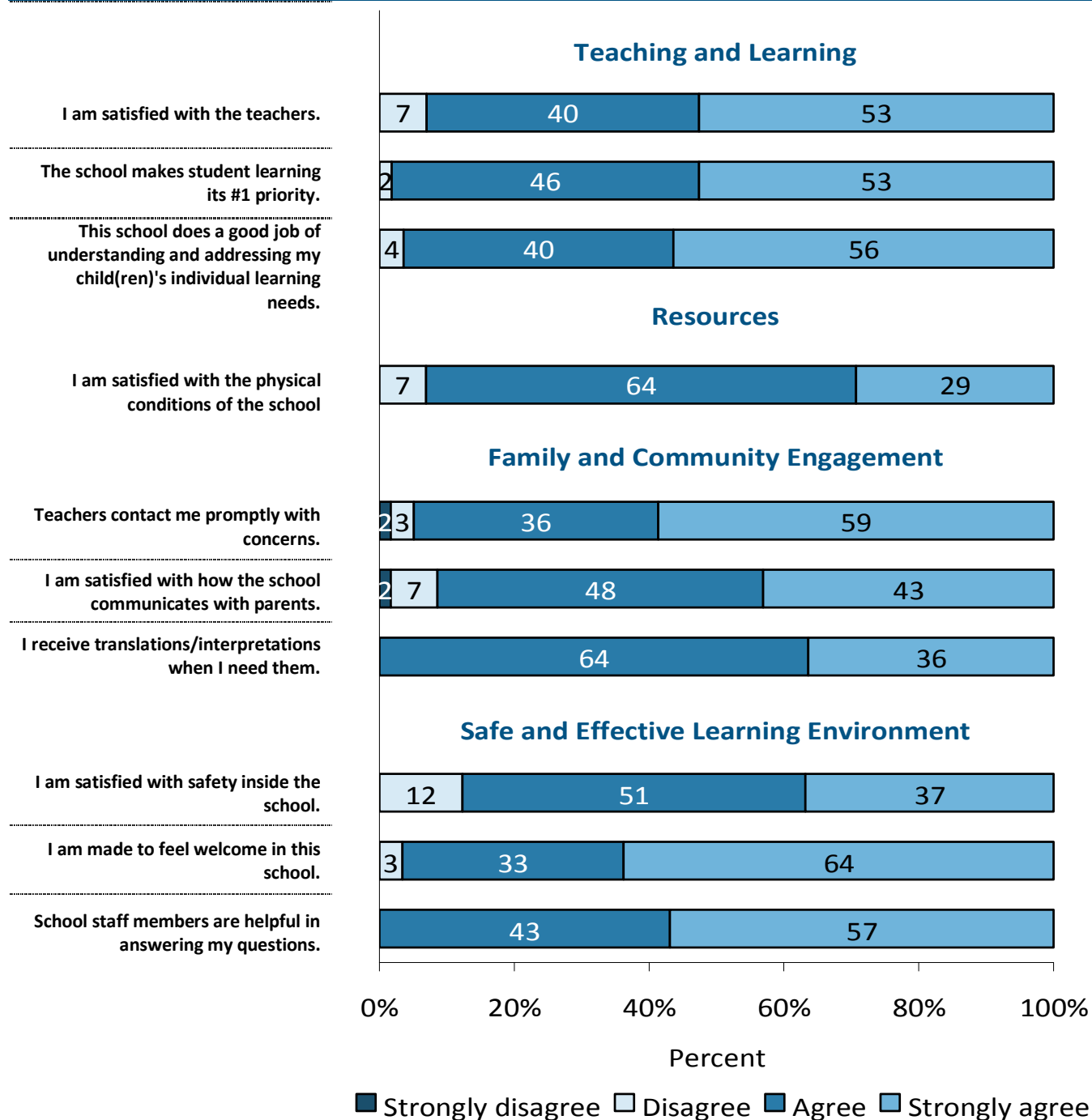
Number of Students Responding: **0**

Teaching and Learning

The teachers at my school want to meet or exceed expectations for instructional goals.
| 11 | 89 |

In my job, I have clear, measureable goals related to supporting student success.
| 6 | 38 | 56 |

My school effectively identifies the individual learning needs of all students, including SPED and ELL.
| 13 | 7 | 53 | 27 |

Teachers use a variety of strategies and resources to support learning for all students.
| 19 | 82 |

Resources

Classrooms in my school are in good physical condition.
| 30 | 52 | 19 |

I have adequate materials/ equipment required to do my work.
| 4 | 15 | 41 | 41 |

I have access to the Internet from school.
| 6 | 24 | 71 |

Family and Community Engagement

The school staff at my school call parents when students are absent.
| 4 | 26 | 70 |

School staff work hard to build trusting relationships with parents.
| 4 | 19 | 78 |

Safe and Effective Learning Environment

I feel safe at my school.
| 4 | 7 | 89 |

My school is orderly and in control.
| 4 | 27 | 69 |

Percent

■ Strongly disagree □ Disagree ■ Agree □ Strongly agree

NOTES: The following items offered the options never/rarely/sometimes/always: *wanting to meet or exceed expectations for instructional goals, using a variety of strategies, having access to the Internet, calling parents when students are absent, working hard to build trusting relationships with parents, feeling safe at school,* and *the school being orderly and in control*.

Number of Staff Responding: Staff (total): 27 Administrators: 1 Teachers: 16 Other staff: 10

What did parents say about Payne Elementary School?

Teaching and Learning

I am satisfied with the teachers.
7 | 40 | 53

The school makes student learning its #1 priority.
2 | 46 | 53

This school does a good job of understanding and addressing my child(ren)'s individual learning needs.
4 | 40 | 56

Resources

I am satisfied with the physical conditions of the school
7 | 64 | 29

Family and Community Engagement

Teachers contact me promptly with concerns.
2 | 3 | 36 | 59

I am satisfied with how the school communicates with parents.
2 | 7 | 48 | 43

I receive translations/interpretations when I need them.
64 | 36

Safe and Effective Learning Environment

I am satisfied with safety inside the school.
12 | 51 | 37

I am made to feel welcome in this school.
3 | 33 | 64

School staff members are helpful in answering my questions.
43 | 57

Percent

■ Strongly disagree ☐ Disagree ■ Agree ■ Strongly agree

NOTES: The parent questions on *satisfaction with teachers, the physical condition of the school, communications with parents,* and *safety inside the school* offered the options very dissatisfied/dissatisfied/satisfied/very satisfied.

Number of Parents Responding: 61